

PRESS RELEASE



2010 Australian Christian Book of the Year SHORT LIST was announced on Tuesday 8 June 2010

The 2010 Australian Christian Book of the Year Award short-listed books are:

A century of influence: Australian Student Christian Movement 1896-1996 by Renate Howe (University of New South Wales Press)

Desolate beauty by Trudy Adams (Ark House Press)

Hebrews: A New Covenant commentary by William Dumbrell (Redeemer Baptist Press)

Losing my religion: Unbelief in Australia by Tom Frame (University of New South Wales Press)

Montgomery of Tasmania: Henry and Maud Montgomery in Australasia by Robert Withycombe (Acorn Press)

The third choice: Islam, dhimmitude and freedom by Mark Durie (Deror Books)

The trellis and the vine: The ministry mind-shift that changes everything by Colin Marshall & Tony Payne (Matthias Media)

2010 ACBoY judges

Alex Crawford holds degrees in arts, law and theology. He is a practising barrister in Brisbane. Outside the law, he is interested in books, music and seeing the Brisbane Lions win. Alex is married to Penny. They have three children and attend St Mark's Anglican Church, Clayfield. He is the secretary of the Mathew Hale Public Library based in Brisbane.

Nancy Kroeger combines her passion for books and literature with her love of numbers and people by working at Ridley Melbourne Mission and Ministry College. She is celebrating her eleventh year working in the College Bookshop as bookkeeper. Her most recent read was the challenging *Wolf Hall* by Hilary Mantel. Nancy is married to a Presbyterian minister and church planter. They have three adult children, two sons-in-law and a first grandchild born this May.

David Starling teaches New Testament and Theology at Morling College in Sydney and is a member of Macquarie Baptist Church. He studied English and History at Sydney University and worked as a high school English teacher in Western Sydney before theological study at Moore College and Morling College and pastoral ministry in Sydney's inner west. He is married to Nicole and has three young children.

Join us at the award presentations

The 2010 Australian Christian Book of the Year will be announced and prizes awarded during a lunch at the **Robert White Hall, Level 1, 156 Collins Street, Melbourne**, on **10 August 2009** at midday (for a 12.30 start). The awards will be preceded by an address by inspiring 2009 Christian Book of the Year author, Naomi Reed, and an engaging performance by poet, Cameron Semmens. \$40 per guest. \$10 for Teen Writer contestants. To book seats call 1300 13 7725 or write to awards@spcka.org.au

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